



Docket No. 09800240-0068

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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the specification of which was filed on December 4, 2003 and assigned Application Serial No. 10/728,190.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

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(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

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Prior Foreign Application Nos.	Country	Foreign Filing Date	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?	
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